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MEMORANDUM FOR THE HONORABLE GEORGE P. SHULTZ
The Secretary of StateTHE HONORABLE CASPAR W. WEINBERGER
The Secretary of DefenseTHE HONORABLE WILLIAM J. CASEY
The Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Public Diplomacy on Central America (U)

We have made considerable progress in the past year in our efforts to present to the American public and to the international community the facts on the Sandinistas' aggression against their neighbors. The May 1985 publication of the Departments of State and Defense on "The Sandinista Military Buildup" was an excellent contribution to public understanding of this issue. (U)

Recent intelligence reporting has added significantly to our knowledge of how Managua equips, finances, and trains guerrillas in El Salvador and elsewhere in Central America. Declassification of this information would strengthen our position considerably in domestic and international debate on Central America. I encourage you to make a new effort to declassify as much material as possible on Nicaragua's efforts to export subversion, with the objective of releasing a publication on that issue in the immediate future. (S)



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